

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please **AMEND** the specification on page 1, paragraph 1, as follows:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/613,740, filed July 3, 2003, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,896,065, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/094,030, filed March 7, 2002, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,588,511, the contents of which are hereby incorporated in their entirety.

Please **AMEND** the specification on page 11, last paragraph, line 19 as follows:

The method of forming the elastomeric compound includes combining the previously described components and letting such a mixture set to form the gel compound. The components once combined may then be stirred or mixed together such they can combine to form the gel. In an additional embodiment, the method includes a two part mix which can be combined to form the gel compound. The first part of the mix includes the plasticizer and the prepolymer. The second part also includes the plasticizer along with the thermoplastic polymer and the catalyst. The two parts are then combined and mixed to form a gel mix that is allowed to set to form the semi-solid gel composition.